

Durbin to White Sulphur Springs along the top of the Alleghany² Mountain and will create a scenic route unexcelled in West Virginia. In addition it will furnish means of rapid access to all parts of the mountain when fire threatens the forest. Work is to start on this project as soon as the new CCC's are put through a brief period of conditioning after their arrival in camp.

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...prevention in the past has been satisfactory. The members of the public health service are recommending the adoption of the concept for the control of communicable diseases that promise to give the desired results. In order to obtain these results, the people will have to dismiss from their minds the old, antiquated, unsatisfactory practices and accept our recommendations for a new method.

One of the best illustrations is the so called "sanitary drinking fountains" in our school buildings that are nothing more than disease spreaders. The safe method is the individual cup or a fountain so constructed that no child can put their mouth on the spigot. The rule is that no one should put anything in their mouth that has recently been soiled by the discharges from the mouth of another person, unless the same has been thoroughly sterilized by boiling or immersion into a weak alkali solution. Disease producing germs always affect those who are lacking in reserve force or resistance, for that reason, the Public Health service is insisting on every person being taught how to acquire and increase reserve force and resistance. This is done by strict adherence to rules of personal hygiene. The two most important ones to be taught are nutrition and how to obtain it; posture and how to practice it.

In addition to this, we have what is called artificial immunization whereby we can artificially increase the resistance in individuals against at least three specific diseases. The administration of typhoid vaccine to prevent typhoid fever, toxoid or its equivalent to prevent diphtheria, and the vaccine virus to prevent smallpox, has given such excellent results that it needs no further support or comment other than to be administered in the proper way. It is claimed by health officials that neither wholesale immunization or sanitation will insure against any attack. It requires a combination of the two. The administering of artificial immunization is recommended for all people within the age limit until such time when the public will understand and practice proper sanitation, then artificial immunization will not be so necessary.

The greatest hindrance to the desired results obtainable from the proper administration of public health service is that there are a small number of people who feel they know and proceed to give other folks instructions which are not conducive to proper results. It is much better to have health instructions given by trained health instructors.

Work Accomplished in 1935
During the year 1935 just closed, we have every reason to be proud of what has been accomplished if we should compare it with conditions seven years ago. Typhoid fever is not more than one third as prevalent, diphtheria has been restricted to the small children in families of the very ignorant who refuse prevention, smallpox is a disease of the past and has been for five years. For the first time since the inauguration of the County Health unit, we did not have a case of infantile paralysis (polio-myelitis) within our jurisdiction. For the past three years we have not had a case of diphtheria. The general health rate is the best since the year 1928. Infant death rate has dropped and one third per cent less and tuberculosis around fifty percent less.

Our educational work has reached a point where people all over the county are asking for information, instructions and better health. This is the very best in the history of the county.

Attending Convention

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Harmon, William H. Field and R. O. Mills left yesterday for Columbus, O., where they are to attend a convention of stamp collectors.

Having a surplus of feature motion pictures, Argentina may ban some.

To Hold Meeting Monday

The Kanawha county Republican women's club is to meet at eight o'clock Monday evening in the city council chamber.

An executive board meeting has been called for 7:30 o'clock, prior to the general club meeting, by Mrs. S. E. Beckwith, president.

Cranberry Glades Now Open By CCC For Tourist Travel

Enrollees of CCC company 525 have opened up the famous Cranberry Glades, West Virginia's scenic wonder to tourist travel, having completed a road from Richwood through the glades, and on to Marlinton, a region heretofore a veritable wilderness.

Here, a strangely misplaced trace of Arctic tundra in Pocahontas county, has been recently added to the Monongahela national forest. The CCC camp located 16 miles from this national wonder is commanded by Capt. Charles L. Calhoun.

Cranberry Glades is situated in high region of western Pocahontas county and is drained by hundreds of clear mountain brooks that flow into the Cranberry, the Elk, the Gauley and Williams rivers. It is overgrown with a dense undisturbed forest and abounding in game. It was known as the "Wilderness of Pocahontas county".

Has Over 300 Acres

There is in reality only one glade, containing some 300 to 400 acres of deep, wet soil overgrown in some places with a thicket of shrubbery and in others carpeted with lichens, mosses and sedges. Within the glade there are five open spaces, the largest is about 85 acres. Each open space is separated from the others by winding and sluggish streams which are bordered by fringes of alders, hollies and other shrubs.

Never-ending sources of delight are the 2,000 varieties of orchids which bloom in colorful contrast upon the metallic sheen of the moss carpet. As many as 32 orchids in a square foot have been counted. The buck bean, which blossoms nowhere else so far south, presents a wonderful sight when its beautiful flower of greenish-white opens in May.

Plant Life Abundant

There is, perhaps, no area of

equal extent in West Virginia which is declared of greater importance for its influence on water flow, nor one more interesting to the student and collector on account of its varied forms of plant and animal life than this glady region lying in an elevation of 3,400 feet above the sea and surrounded by mountains which rise from 1,000 to 1,500 feet above it. Natives call them quaking bogs for the ground quivers and shakes for rods around when you walk on it. This is because of the top carpet of mosses rest upon soft mire about 20 feet deep. The flat-footed bears walk across it unafraid but cattle and the cloven-footed deer avoid it as a place possessed.

On orders of Brig. Gen. William K. Naylor, commander of the fifth corps area, 27 reserve officers have had their tour of duty with the CCC extended for a period of six months beginning Thursday. They are:

Capt. Raymond Colton, Engr-Res., Glenn avenue, Capt. Vernon K. Sevy, inf-res., Greenbrier street, First Lieut. Luther J. Dempsey, engr-res., Lewisburg, and First Lieut. Marvin P. Hooker, engr-res., Wheeling.

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WILDERNESS BECOMES PARK

Boys do Great Work in a Year's Time

One year ago Droop Mountain Battlefield was a wilderness.

There were a few monuments and graves, that for many years had been neglected. Two small signs along the road were all that told travelers that an important Civil War battle had been fought here.

On July 29, 1935 a CCC Company, 2598, located here and within a few weeks there was a great change. This change is still going on. Some of the work has been completed but a great deal more is yet to be done. When travelers now go along Route #219, and get near the Battle Field, they first notice the beautiful log fence that outlines the park. As they drive on down the road, the log portals are seen. We think they are the most beautiful entrances to a CCC camp in the state. Good roads lead through these portals and into first, the picnic area. This area has been cleared of underbrush, but all of nature's beauty has been left. Picnic tables, shelters, ovens, and toilets have been constructed throughout the park area. All of these conveniences have been built out of material of a rustic nature.

One year ago Briery Knob was just a beautiful mountain to gaze at; an expanse of wilderness cutting off all probability of ascension. Today a road will take the traveler within a short distance of the fire tower and to all of the glory and beauty that nature has so bountifully bestowed upon our state, especially in this section. From the tower on Briery knob, one can see all of the surrounding country and even some distance into the state of Virginia.

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